

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please revise the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

An internal combustion engine variable compression ratio system ~~is provided that~~ includes a piston ~~inner (5a) inner~~, a piston ~~outer (5b) outer~~ that, while being fitted around the outer periphery of the piston ~~inner (5a) inner~~, so ~~that it can slide~~ it slides only in the axial direction, is capable of moving ~~to a among~~ among low compression ratio position (L), ~~a high compression ratio position high~~ (H), and ~~a and~~ and medium (M) compression ratio position (M) ~~between the above positions~~, and two sets of raising means (R_1 , R_2) ~~disposed in line in the axial direction between the piston inner and outer (5a, 5b), each.~~ Each set of raising means (R_1 , R_2) ~~including~~ includes a movable raising member (14_1 , 14_2), which can pivot individually between a non-raised position (A) and a raised position (B) around the axis of the piston inner and outer (5a, 5b). It is thus possible to provide an internal combustion engine variable compression ratio system that enables the compression ratio to be appropriately switched between at least three stages, that is, ~~a low compression ratio, a medium compression ratio, and a~~ between low, medium and high compression ratio ratios, without rotating the piston outer.

Please replace the specification with the attached Substitute Specification.